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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
REQUEST FOR FILING APPLICATION UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)
WITHOUT FILING FEE OR EXECUTED INVENTOR'S DECLARATION**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

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Date: January 24, 2001

Sir:

This is a request for filing a new PATENT APPLICATION under Rule 53(b) entitled:

ESTROGEN RECEPTOR BETA VARIANTS AND METHODS OF DETECTION THEREOF

without a filing fee and/or without an executed inventor's oath/declaration.

This application is made by the below identified inventor(s). Attached hereto are the following papers:

- An abstract together with
- 67** pages of specification and **3** claim pages including
- 17** numbered claims and also attached is/are
- 94** sheets of accompanying drawings.
- This application is based on the following prior foreign application(s):

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respectively, the entire content of which is hereby incorporated by reference in this application, and priority is hereby claimed therefrom.

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- Certified copy/ies of foreign applications attached.
- This application is a continuation/ division/ continuation-in-part of application Serial No. , filed .
- Please amend the specification by inserting before the first line: --This application is a continuation/ division/ continuation-in-part of application Serial No. , filed , the entire content of which is hereby incorporated by reference in this application.--
- Please amend the specification by inserting before the first line: --This is a continuation of PCT application No. , filed , the entire content of which is hereby incorporated by reference in this application.--
- Preliminary amendment to claims (attached hereto), to be entered before calculation of the fee.
- Also attached. Sequence Listing Diskette

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